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**KIPNUK POST OFFICE OFFICER IN CHARGE FACING FEDERAL  
CHARGES OF ASSAULTING FELLOW POSTAL SERVICE EMPLOYEES**

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced today, January 9, 2008, that Harvey Fox of Kipnuk, Alaska, was arraigned yesterday on an indictment charging him with assaulting and intimidating two postal employees.

The eight-count indictment named Fox, age 45, of Kipnuk, as the sole defendant.

According to the indictment, Fox was an employee of the United States Postal Service in Kipnuk from December 18, 2000; he was the officer in charge of the Kipnuk Post Office from September 29, 2007 until October 11, 2007. He is accused of assaulting and intimidating other postal employees with whom he worked between June, 2005 and October, 2007, while they were engaged in their official duties.

Assistant United States Attorney Retta Randall, who presented the case to the grand jury, indicated that the law provides for a maximum total sentence of eight years in prison, a fine of \$250,000, or both. Under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, the actual sentence imposed will be based upon the seriousness of the offenses and the prior criminal history, if any, of the defendant. Fox is to reside in a halfway house in Anchorage pending trial.

The United States Postal Inspection Service conducted the investigation leading to the indictment in this case.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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